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REPUBLICAN MEETINGS.

Chester I. Long. Republican Candidate for Congress in the Big Seventh. for Congress in the Big Seventh.
Thursday, Sept. 1, Hutchinson.
Saturday, Sept. 3, Jetmore
Monday, Sept. 6, Ravanna and Eminence.
Tuesday, Sept. 6, Ingalis and Cimarron.
Wednesslay, Sept. 7, Santa Fe.
Thursday, Sept. 8, Uysese.
Friday, Sept. 8, Woodshale and Hugoton.
Saturday, Sept. 18, Monday and Coolinge.
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Treeday, Sept. 13, Syracuse and Coolinge. Wednesday, Sept. 14, Hartiand and La Thursday, Sept. 15, Garden City, Friday, Sept. 16, Bedge City, Saturday, Sept. 17, Kinsley, Tuesday, Sept. 20, Sterling, Wednesday, Sept. 21, Nickerson, Thursday, Sept. 22, Burrton, Friday, Sept. 23, Canton, Saturday, Sept. 24, Wichita, Monday, Sept. 25, La arcses, Tuesday, Sept. 25, La reses, Tuesday, Sept. 26, La reses, Tuesday, Sept. 27, Harses and Tribune, Wednesday, Sept. 28, Leot. Thursday, Sept. 29, Secut City, Friday, Sept. 30, Dighton, Saturday, Oct. 1, Ness City,

Barney Sheridan says the People's party in Miami county has been generous with the Democrats and has given them everything the Alliance hen laidbut the eggs.

will be buried at Emporia where the deceased has a daughter, Mrs. Cross, living. Colonyl Smeed was at one time and for

The Republican state central commit-

Kansas has more to gain by the restora-tion of the credit of the state through a Republican victory at the polls next No-vember, than she has by any flat inflation, sub-treasury, or two per cent, loan scheme

We object to that way of putting it. Kansas' only hope of gain is through the success of the cosmopolitan combine with its fiat inflation, sub-treasury and two per cent. loan schemes would result in evil, and evil only, to the state,

Hold your wheat. Wall street is buying beavy, knowing that wheat is below the bottom notch. Sell no wheat except to pay debts.—Anthony Republican.

It may be true, the statement about Wall street, and yet we should not ad- of the community and state-how, we vise farmers what to do in regard to ask, do the farmers of Sedgwick county their surplus wheat. Fact is, the like the idea of seeing such a person farmers learn of the condition of the markets and the prospects for an advance or decline about as soon as anybody else, and they usually act upon their own judgment in the matter of holding or selling their crops.

"We took the ship of state when there was treachery at the helm, when there was mutiny on deck, when the ship was on the rocks, and we put loyalty at the helm; we brought the deck into order and subjection. We have brought the ship into the wide and open sea of prosperity, and is it to be suggested that the party that has accomplished these magnificent achievements cannot sail and manage the good slup in the frequented roadways of ordinary commerce?"-Benjamin Harrison.

The independence exhibited by the Hutchinson Times in refusing to swallow the dose concected by the fusionists in the Democratic and Populist parties in the form of a state ticket and congressman in this district would be commendable enough; but it makes a miscrable fall-down by keeping at the head combine, and the fusion candidate for as the others: They are all of a sort

THE LOCAL OUTLOOK.

The political canvas, so far, has been confined, almost wholly, to such indiby the newspapers. This is certainly true ted. of Sedgwick county. Outside of a few ward and township meetings there have been no public demonstrations. And while in addition there has been no systematic poll attempted, nor other means resorted to for ascertaining the drift of sentiment and the lay of the land, it is ready money, of which the bank has already understood and felt, and generally so, that so far as Sedgwick county is concerned calamity has had its day. The truth is when you come to pin a level headed Democrat right down to business he will brave pioneer Kansas woman must feel be found to have as little use for the People's party as the average Republican, he seeing clearly enough the long train of depressions and disasters that must inevitably follow should the legislative affairs of Kansas be placed in the hands of these incorigibles and malcontents. The average business man, be he Democrat or Republican, has had enough of shrinkage and of hard times, without taking the chances of a political revolution wherein stupidity inspired with but a single idea could only blindly blunder

on to no one knows where,

Times are brightening and there is once more a foundation for hope, and there is a growing confidence which will not be scattered to the four winds by the ballots of the business men of Kansas, whatever their politics, or the selfish jobs of political bosses. So we say that, so far as Sedgwick county is concerned, a "land-slide" is not unlikely. Local pride and party fealty are all right, everything else being equal, but to merely please a neighbor or some neighbor's friend men are not going to vote not a business man anywhere in Kannot a business man anywhere in Kan-year is an excellent one, being much Remedy for Labor Troubles," by Chaun-sas who does not know that the heavier than usual. success of the Calamity party means a depreciation of Kansas securities, the estruction of Kansas dedit and a black established by the quality turned out of the elevators are per-white Democrats may vote the Weaver wheat they the control of the elevators are per-mitted to turn out a lighter grade of electoral ticket, because of a possible chance of helping Cleveland, the state Republican ticket will be elected, and in Krasas Cleveland to turn out a lighter grade of wheat than the producer or country shipper has to ship the country shipper is the loser. To illustrate this we will state that last week there were received in Krasas Cleveland. by the help of Democratic votes, too, hard wheat, eleven cars of which weighand it ought to be; the legislature will be a Republican legislature, and it ought to be, not only because Kansas can't weighed sixty pounds or over. With fifty-eight pounds as the test weight the eleven cars established the afford another Calamity Peffer, but be- price on the 1,196 cars. At fifty-nine cause of the danger to be apprehended pounds test the eleven cars would not from any laws inspired of calamity; and the local Republican ticket, also, of the test was not raised to sixty pounds is Sedgwick county will be elected, and it that in the southern tier of counties the wheat is lighter than in northern ought to be.

a speech at Bradfords Mill in Butler county on the 8th, one of the most densely settled country districts to be found in Kansas, every quarter section Mr. Foster, the St. Joseph weather being a farm in a high state of cultiva- the elevators it would not grade No. 2. prophet, says a storm wave will cross tion. The Eagle desires to say to the prophet, says a storm wave will cross tion. The Eagle desires to say to the The price of No. 2, or any grade of the continent Sept. 2 to 6. Also a dan-people of that section that whatever wheat, is established by the lowest qualgerous storm, cyclones, tornadoes, etc., their politics they cannot afford to miss ity that will pass in that grade. These west of the Mississippion the 7th and 8th, hearing Hallowell. As an orator he will remarks refer solely to wheat sold on inentertain them no doubt, but as one who Colonel E. C. Smeed, chief engineer of has studied the political and economical the Union Pacific railway system, died problems of the day to some purpose he of information among the people of the state concerning the existence of a Kan-

GENE WARE IN POMPEIL Hon. Engene F. Ware writes the ed several years chief engineer of the Kan- tor of the Eagle from Florence, Italy. tion less than one year and a half, and He was just in from Pompeii and a study our inspection certificates are already of those warmly glaring frescoes, we accepted in Europe as evidence of should guess, from the lural language of quality. The reputation of the Kansas tee has already made arrangements for his note. As it would be wholly uninnearly one hundred Republican rallies. | telligible to the reader, in the absence of The seven congressional rallies to be held not be the seven congressional rallies to be held not running comments, its publication is inspections are made by sworn officers, inspections are made by sworn of the campaign in each congressional district, withheld. 'Gene had just heard of the who give bonds, and the weighing is also and from that time on from ten to fifteen Republican nominations at Topeka, and performed by officials under control of the co meetings will be held each day. The that the platform contains both woman campaign this year is to be an aggres- suffange and prohibition, and his touchsive one-no temporising and no com- ingly picturesque expressions have some-

HOW DO YOU LIKE IT?

Speaking of Kies, how do the farmers of Sedgwick county who contributed of From the Atchison Champton their bard-earned money to the amount several hundred dollars as a bonus to induce the person named to remove because they would not pay the concern his newspaper outfit from Newton to for what they did not get. success of the Republican party. The Wichita, with the understanding that agency has been publishing a book called the paper was to become the organ of a legal directory for several years, re the Alliance in this county, but which issuing it annually, with some unimpor paper has given little or no attention to the local interests of the party further the local interests of the party further than concerns his personal preferment kept their aggreements. The bar of the and pecuniary affairs, not only, but state quite generally refused to pay for which has misrepresented the situation the book until such a one was furnished and condition of the farming community to the detriment of the material interests placed in one of the most important and the best paying offices in the county?

OF INTEREST TO FARMERS.

There has been a good deal of dis cussion in the public prints of late of the question of public roads. It is an im. portant question to the rural community and especially so to the farmers. There is another question pertaining to roads, though not directly affecting their con. dition for travel, yet which is of no small concern to the farmers. And notwithstanding its importance and the further fact that it is covered by a state law, it is neglected in a great many instances, to the serious detriment of those central committee; Mr. Moore, who repmost immediately concerned. Here is

"Be it enacted by the legislature of Kansas: It shall be the duty of the road overseers of the several counties of this state to remove or cause to be removed at least once each year, between the lath of June and the lath day of July, in the public highways, all cuckle-burs, burdocks, smullewers, Canada thistless and other oppoying words as much be invited. other obnoxious weeds as may be injuriou to the best interests of the farming con

The date for the performance of the of its editorial columns the names of the important duty imposed by this law is presidential electors put up by the same passed for this year, but it is not too late to perform the service with good effect. congressman-at-large. This half-way The object to be secured by cutting the business loses the Times the respect of noxious weeds is to prevent the seed all parties. The candidates for state of- from maturing and becoming scattered, fices are just as much entitled to support and that end can be attained in large measure if the weeds were cut now and year,

as soon as dried sufficiently piled and burned. This would also serve as considerable protection against the spread of fire later in the fall. It is important vidual and neighborly discussions as that this should be attended to without have been brought about and stimulated further delay where it has been neglec-

> The Central National Bank at Ellsworth notifies the farmers that those of them who prefer to hold their big wheat crop can have all the accommodation they need for that purpose and that none need feel forced to sell now for want of ample supply. From this it would seem that the despised plutocrats have greater confidence in the farmers than the farmers have in their neighbors or themselves.

It strikes the Winfield Courier that "a very bad when she hears her husband, who brought her here in a rickety old wagon, and who is now surrounded by plenty, cursing the government and de claring that Kansas has gone to the dogs. Women thus situated are to be

THE GRAIN BUSINESS.

A good deal has been said in the prints the past few days in regard to the action of the state grain inspectors last week in changing the standard of weight for wheat in this state from 58 to 59 pounds, and it seems that a general misconception of the matter still exists in the minds of a great many people. To give our readers a more comprehensive idea of the situation we quote the following lucid statement from the Kansas City, Kan., Gazette:

"During the week those authorized under the grain inspection law met in Kansas City, Kan., and established the grade which is to rule in the markets for Kansas grain for the year. The princi-pal change made was in the test weight of No. 2 hard wheat, which was raised from 58 to 59 pounds to the bushel. law contemplates that the condition of each crop shall be reviewed, and the grade re-established or changed before against their own pockets, and there is the 15th of September of each year. The crop of wheat raised in Kansas this

Some question exists as to why the test weight was raised, and who is benefitted by it. The price of No. 2 wheat is and central Kansas, and this would HALLOWELL IN BUTLER. work an injustice to the wheat of southern Kansas by forcing it down one grade. The fact that the price is governed by the quality turned out by the elevators is because the elevators clean the wheat. A great deal of wheat arrives not prime condition, and before it goes through the cleaning process spection, and not to wheat sold by

sample.

There seems to be a very great lack the grain markets. It has been in operaslaint as to weights. under bond. The producer and shipper is assured of fair dealing. Kansas producers and shippers should demand Kansas inspections and weights. promising. The battle will be fought to thing of the smell of the smoke of Veliaspection law passed by the last legis-win from the very start. statute books."

A BLACKMAILING SCHEME.

A scurrilous circular has been issued snide collection agency at Cincinnati libeling ninety lawyers in this state, tant changes, but failed to comply with its contracts with the lawyers and de as by their agreement they had agreed to furnish. The Cincinnati outfit sent the lawyers printed notices that uness they sent them, some five and some ten dollars, they would issue a circular and ruin their reputation, etc.

The lawyers while anxious to avoid any such unpleasantness concluded to refuse to be blackmailed out of money by such course. The affair a Cincinnati then issued a circular maligning such men as William Thompson of Burlingame, judge of the Thirty-fifth judicial district; ex-Senator Miller of Clay Center, L. Davis, late candidate for congress nator David Rathburn, Judge Lowell of Holton, Senator Gillette of Kingman, who had the endorsement of the last senate for one of the United States district judges; Judge Ed. Hutchinson of the the numb Twelfth judicial district, Senator Dick Blue, Judge John Martin of Topeka, E. Though A. Austin, late assistant attorney general of the state; Mr. Mileham of late chairman of the Democratic state resented the wholesale grocers of Wichita in the Symns case tried here a few

The Fire of Patriotism The ex-union soldiers are getting old and bald and tottery in the legs and slow of motion but when a lot of them get together, as they did at Wichita, last and hear the speaking and the bands playing, they think they are as young as they ever were. There is lot of the speaking and the bands playing, they think they are as young as they ever were. playing, they think they are as young as they ever were. There is lots of fine and patriotism in the ex-union soldiers for this 1892 campaign, or any other which must break out about once each campaign, is E. V. Smalley "History bathing suit, no doubt. Never leading to the Republican Party." It is much happen again. "Texas Siftings."

LITERARY NOTES.

G. P. Putnam's Sons regret to an-nounce to the purchasers of their edition of the Talleyrand Memoirs, that two papers printed in the French edition of the fifth and concluding volume have been omitted from the editions appearing in London and New York. These two papers comprise the "Retraction" or confession written by Talleyrand the day before his death, for transmission through the archbishop of Paris to the pope, and the letter to the pope that ac-

ompanied this "retraction."

The responsibility for this omission rests with the French publishers or with the French editor. The publishers of the American edition, believing these papers to be of special interest and importance, take the ground that American readers of the work are entitled to have the same included in their own copies. They have, therefore, printed a leastet of four pages containing the two prpess in question and are prepared to furnish the same, on application, to any correspondents who have purchased their edition of

The September Century is particularly interesting for its fiction. A new writer (from the south) comes upon the scene, John Fox, Jr., who publishes the first installment of a two part story entitled,
"A Mountain Europa," with illustrations by Kemble. Mr. Fox evidently
understands well the mountain people of whom he writes, and the girl who is the heroine of the story is one of the most striking characters in recent fiction. Another new writer of fiction, Grace Wilbur Conant, appears in this number of the Century with a humorous story, "Phyllida's Mourning." That delightful humorost, Richard Malcolm Johnson, author of "Dukesborough Tales," has a short story in this number entitled, "A Bachelor's Counseling," with pictures by Kemble. Still another short story is by George Wharton Edwards, the artist, entitled, "Strange to Say," in his quaint, illustrated series of "Thumb-Nail Sketches." Mrs. Mary Hallock Foote's "The Chosen Valler," with pictures by the author, and Henry B. Fuller's "Chatelain of La Trinite" are continued.

The September Forum, which begins volume fourteen, brings a table of con-tents of more than usual timeliness. For instance, a prominent place is given to "The Lesson of Homestead: A cey F. Black of Pennsylvania, the remedy he proposes being the incorporation of labor organizations precisely as organizations of capital are incorporated Mr. Black writes with great sympathy for the workingmen's side of the contest. The political articles, which have been an especial feature of the Forum this summer, include an analysis of the "Alarming Proportion of Venal Voters," primarily in Connecticut, by Prof. J. J. McCook, which is the first effort that has been made to get at the number of the venal and to analyze the causes and methods of vote buying and selling; two articles on "Methods and Morals of Campaign Committees," by Mr. Herbert Welsh of Philadelphia, and Hon, M. D. Harter of Ohio, who both favor open methods of conducting a campaign, even the publication of the expenditures by committees; and an ex-planation of the real meaning of "A Tariff for Revenue," by David A. Wells, a thorough-going exposition of the Democratic pssition on the tariff. This, it is announced, will be followed by an article from Senator Aldrich.

The September Scribner contains the unusual number of seven elaborately illustrated articles, "The Tilden Trust Library; What Shall it Be?" "The Last of the Buffalo," "The Great Streets of the World," "French Traits," "The Indian who is not Poor," The "Historic Moment" this month is "The Attainment of the History North"." ment of the Highest North."

Few publications have ever attracted more attention than that unique review, of information among the people of the state concerning the existence of a Kansas state inspection, and the advantages it has been and can confer upon the producer and the reputation of the state in specific and the reputation of the state in the state labor-saving device alone, it is entitled to unstinted praise; for it gives, every three months, within the limits of an ordinary magazine, a complete bird's eye view of the events, movements and conditions, political, social and otherwise, prevailing in every country on the globe; and all so well digested and Rice county, lost his right hand. clearly outlined that the commonest mind may easily grasp it. The reader will find in this magazine a work done for him that he could do for himself, if at all, only at the cost of endless and study. (Published at Detroit Mich., \$1 a year; after Nov. 15, \$1.50 a year).

> Outing for September is as refreshing and healthful in influence as the first pure breeze of brave old Autumn. The reading matter, as usual-mainly de- It is a physiological fact that a fat man oted to sport, pastime and travel-is never makes much beadway in dissemimost interesting, and the illustrations, nating the gospei of discoutent, always a strong feature of Outing, are Miss Comfort and Miss Walle better than usual.

One of the attractive features of Harper's Weekly, published Aug. 31, will be a double-page illustration, "Americans in Paris," from a drawing by the celebrated artist, R. Caton Woodvilla. There will also be a front-page portrait of Mrs. Cleveland, taken from recent photograph. The fiction of the number will include a story by Howard Pyle, with illustrations by the author; and there will be an article by Richard Harding Davis, entitled "A Newspaper Man's Man.

Harper's Bazar for August 27th is acompanied by a pattern-sheet supplearticles on the current fashions. Julian Ralph writes of "Woman's Triumph at the lady belonged to the Old Hickory our Exposition," showing what women have done and are doing for the great have done and are doing for the great fair. Helen Marshall North begins a Lady Spinster." The two serials by William Black and Walter Besant are continued, and John Kendrick Bangs writes a short humorous story entitled "Mr. Bradley's Jewel." There are many short articles, poems, and sketches, and the number is altogether a very attract-

Thoughtful and progressive American women will be greatly interested in a symposium on dress reform in the Arena for September, prepared under the auspices of the National Council of Women of the United States. The president of the council, Mrs. Mary Wright Stwall, contributes the opening paper. Other contributors to the symposium are Mrs. Frances E. Russell, Miller, Elizabeth Smith Miller and Frances M. Steele. The second half of the symposium is announced for Octo-ber. Among the contributors to it will be Octavia Bates, Ph. D., Lady Harberton of England, Mrs. E. Grace Greenwood. The September proper place for the insane. Arena also contains an unusually rich and varied table of contents. Among its contributors are Ion Ishak, Rev. M

more than a mere campaign book, in fact is a most valuable history, for every citizen of every party. It deals with the history of parties from the foundation of the government, down to the present year, giving brief sketches of the most noted leaders, every Republican plat-form from the first to the last, and a vast fund of valuable information. It ap-peals especially to the "thinking voter," every one of whom ought to read it. Of course no worker in the campaign is equipped without a copy of it, more than a carpenter would be with-out his saw, or a hunter with-out his gun. Mr. Smalley is a writer of rare ability, a long-time intimate friend of Garfield, Blaine and other leaders, staff correspondent of the New York Tribune, etc., and thus richly fitted for writing such a work. Another good thing about the book is that it is issued by the famous publisher of cheap books, John B. Alden, 57 Rose street, New York, and therefore to be had at a low price, only 56 cents, postpaid. His catalogue, over 100 pages, of choice books to be had for 2 cents ought to be in the hands of every lover of good books.

The Review of Reviews for September so edited as to remind its readers that there are, even in a presidential year, many other topics besides politics that claim a share in the general attention. In its timeliness, freshness and original-ity this September issue of the Review is fully equal to any of its predecessors. It is a remarkable general testimony, on the part of the readers of this enterprising periodical, that every succeeding number is a fresh surprise and a welcome one. The September number has for its frontispiece a spirited full-length portrait of the great French scientist, Camille Flammarion, standing by the side of his telescope in the observatory at Juvisy; and the "Progress of the World -that is the editorial open-ing department of the Review-begins with a discussion of Mars and its inhabitancy, illustrated with Chiaparell's map of the surface of Mars, and portraits of Porf. Holden, of the Lick observatory, and Francis Galton, chairman of the Royal observatory at Kew, London.

EXCHANGE SHOTS.

'Ear! 'Ear!

From the Abitene Reflector. Chairman Bridenthal says that "any donkey can 'stand up for Kansas.' " We notice that six of them that his party sent to congress two years ago have not been doing it, however.

The Common Mistake.

From the Lawrence Journal Congressman Otis of the Fourth district seems to take great consolation in his declaration to the effect that "the country is going straight to the devil." The trouble with Mr. Otis is that he mistakes his party for the country.

A Geography Lesson. This is the way that a writer amp's Guide states the question: First class in geography stand up. What state was given the first prem-

ium on white corn at the world's fair in The first premium for yellow corn?

Which state received the gold medal at the world's fair for the best corn in

the world? Which state received the premium on

red winter wheat? The premium on flour, graduated pro-

Kansas, The first and second premiums on sorghum sugar?

The first on the best one hundred vari ties of apples?

Which state took ten first and second premiums on Shorthorn cattle?

public-spirited men and women. As a this out and paste it in his boy's geog- had picked up a little English and was raphy. The boy ought to know the

good points of his own state. SUNFLOWER SILHOUETTES.

By the accidental discharge of a gun Saturday, Frank Coughenour, a farmer of A Rice county farmer is authority for the story that his corn is so big he lets the cows run in the field. They can't hurt it

because they can't reach the ears. The Topeka Sentinel calls him Tanbark. From the way the Pops' state sec. is threshing the truth in every statement he makes the nick is altogether fittin'.

It takes a lean, livid looking fellow like Judge Doster of Marion to spout socialism.

Miss Comfort and Miss Wallop are Kansas schoolmarms. The children are not dis turbed, though; they are comforted by the assurance that the school laws of Kansas do not allow teachers to wallop 'em.

It must be allowed that the sectional ne still retains some tautness on water melons in Kausas. The home grown article is greatly preferred to the Georgia product. In fact the latter are not in it anymore, Mrs. Lease purchased two frocks while in Kansas City last Friday, and from this incident the Times takes it that she is not vet going to wear trousers, though it admits that she has a very masculine voice. A lady in Washington while taking down her Bible from a shelf recently ment and contains numerous illustrated knocked down a revolver which went off and the ball lodged in her hip. Evidently school of religionists, who "trust in God and keep their powder dry."

To the Kansas City Star it looks as though Fred Close would rather see Case Broderick elected to congress in the First district than to withdraw in favor of Ed Carroll. If that is true then Mr. Close is not so utterly devoid of reason and patriotism as some would have him appear. The Globe puts its admonitions to the

city authorities in cabalistic form, thus: C. d. t. w. They are so high in West Atchison that an eight year old boy was lost for over an hour in them yesterday. The Globe's local pride is commendable but if the authorities do not out down the weeds it is liable to be more plain spoken, for the good of the order. Keep your ear peeled for a startling see

sation in Atchison 'most any day, 'The Patriot says "Atchison has a half dozen razy men and boys that ought to be in the asylum. They are regarded as harmless fellows, but how often we hear of a barmless idjot taking a notion in his head that he has been called to cut somebody M. King and into mince mest! The street is not the

> Overheard at Long Branch. "Ethel, dear, you are looking pale

and ill this morning." "Yes, mamma; I went in bathing 'Oh, careless girl, and spoiled your bathing suit, no doubt. Never let that LEGENDS ABOUT THE POTATO. Stories About Its Introd

When potatoes were first introduced into Russia by a Mr. Rowland (the exact date of the introduction of the tuber into that benighted country being a subject of controversy, but usual? set down at 1791) the people would neither plant nor touch them. They declared them to be the devil's fruit. and that they were given to his Satanic majesty on his complaint to God that he had no fruit. God t d him to "search the earth for food." Whereupon the poor devil fell to digging in the earth and found potatoes growing therein.

tained credit among the staid Britishers in Berwickshire, England. In that shire the introduction of potatoes is popularly attributed to Sir Michael Scott, one known all over Europe as "The Wizard of the North." According to the story Michael and the devil formed a copartnership and took the lease of a farm on the Mertown estates, called the "Whitehouse." Michael was to manage the farm; the devil the cap-

A similar legend seems to have ob-

ital; the produce was to be divided in the following manner: The first year Michael was to have all that grew above the ground, and the devil all that grew beneath the surface; the second year shares were to be divided in just the opposite way. His Satanic majesty, strange to say, was badly beaten by the wily Michael, for that personage, with true Scottish foresight, sowed all the land to wheat the first year and planted it all in potatoes the second. So the poor devil got nothing but wheat stubble and potate tops. How these absurd legends originated no one seems to know, but the fact remains that the peasantry of both Russia and England even to this day frequently allude to potatoes as "devil's

OILING A ROBBER. An Engineer's Treatment of a Selfish Road Agent.

There used to be-and may be yeton the Las Cruces division of the Santa Fe railway an engineer known as "Big Jack Long." One night Jack was alone at his engine oiling up the ma-

chine, while the rest of the crew, like the passengers, were at supper in the dingy eating house. The train was a long one and the engine was well away from the little cluster of buildings. Suddenly, "throw up your hands!" was growled at him and Jack found himself looking into a gun in the hands of a hard-looking citizen. The fellow demanded money and Jack began to argue, protesting that he had but a dollar in his pockets and that to take that were a crucity, since it was meant to pay for his supper. Yes, the marauder was determined to have the said and from classical department without further examination.

Best facilities for Music and Art.

Reasonable races for Koard and Rooms will be secured for pupil who apply prompty. J. M. NAYLOR. gan to argue, protesting that he had to have the sack, even if it had but a single dollar. During the discussion Jack slipped his hand from bulb to nozzle of the long machinist's oiler and edged around the head of the locomotive, finally backing across the track, closely followed by the temporizing holder-up. When the man was so well into the glare of the headlight as to guide Jack's address, this worthy promptly laid over his head with the heavy oiler for a bludgeon, and, when the victim's yells had drawn forth the supping contingent, Jack had beaten his assailant almost senseless and stood, weapon in hand, looking down at him, and saying, grimly: "Well! I guess I've Open Sept. 15. got you so well oiled up that you won't 'run hot' again for one while!'

A CHINAMAN'S AMBITION.

proud of his acquirement. In fact, he had, what seems to be rare with Celestials, a strong desire to become a master of the English tongue. He had taken the traveler to the South Pearl hall, where the shrine of the "Queen of Heaven" is ornamented with handsome gilded carvings in wood.

The Englishman admired the world and inquired:

What are the vessels on the alter made of?"

"All brrrass," answered Ah Cho; Ah Choy was very proud of his ability to pronounce the letter r, a great trouble to people of his race, and was given to rrolling it with unconcealed self-gratulation. The Englishman was willing to humor him, and so asked: "What was that you said?"

"Yes, all brrrass."
"Yes, all billass," chimed in an unlearned bystander, and Ah Choy's satisfaction was doubled.

Presently, however, his pride had a fall, for he pronounced the word "village" as if it had been spelled "woolwich," and his patron felt obliged to correct him. Ah Choy was crestfallen, and when the Englishman proposed moving on he forgot his r's in his confusion and answered: "Velly weil.

"I wonder," he remarked, a little later, "if I went to England and studied for three years I could speak English just like Englishmen." "Oh, yes," said his mentor: "knowing

so much already, you might do it in half that time." Then the true object of Ah Choy's ambition was disclosed.

face, "and then I could write an Eng-Who says that Chinese and Americans have not some things in common?

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correspondent of the Calcutta Englishman, writing from Mozufferpur, Tirhut, gives a description of a day's pig-sticking. The fourth boar proved a ough customer. This animal, says the writer, was a typical wild boar, sulky and savage to a degree, breaking backward and backward again whenever the elephants reached him, charging with real vicious intent whenever anyone neared him and when forced out of cover using his pace to get back again. He totally refused to go away clear, no it was determined to kill him in the grass. Mr. D --- promptly got a spear ato him, which did not improve his victous disposition, and he charged in savagely, only to be struck again. Upon this he lay down and let himself be prodded twice, making us believe that he was dead. But suddenly, without warning, he charged out and cut H. C's horse in both bocks, then with a spear still in him charged between two elephants. Then, as Rider Haggard would say, a strange thing happened. for one of the elephants, seeing the spear sticking in the pig, pulled it out with his trunk and threw it high over the mahout's head. When the spear had thus been extracted the pig evidently lost blood, for he lay down and let himself be slain peacefully. After this surly fellow's death the elephants were taken to the smaller grass across the "bandh." . . Seven fighting boars, averaging collectively over thirty inches each, and four horses cut was good enough for one morning, and is "Yes," he said, with a brightening was a batch of satisfied sportemen who sat down to Mrs H.'s ample bunch " Gusrams bungalow.

Identifying Him.

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